

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
TYLER DIVISION**

DAVID LAVORD DODD,

Plaintiff,

V.

CLEARWATER BAY PROPERTY  
OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. 6:23-cv-254-JDK-KNM

**ORDER ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Plaintiff David Lavord Dodd, proceeding pro se, filed this case in May 2023.

The case was referred to United States Magistrate Judge K. Nicole Mitchell for findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations for disposition.

On August 29, 2023, Judge Mitchell issued a Report recommending that the Court dismiss this case with prejudice as barred by res judicata pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii). Docket No. 9. A copy of this Report was sent to Plaintiff. Docket No. 10. However, no objections have been received.


This Court reviews the findings and conclusions of the Magistrate Judge de novo only if a party objects within fourteen days of service of the Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). In conducting a de novo review, the Court examines the entire record and makes an independent assessment under the law. *Douglass v. United Servs. Auto. Ass’n*, 79 F.3d 1415, 1430 (5th Cir. 1996) (en banc),

*superseded on other grounds by statute*, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (extending the time to file objections from ten to fourteen days).

Here, Plaintiff did not object in the prescribed period. The Court therefore reviews the Magistrate Judge's findings for clear error or abuse of discretion and reviews the legal conclusions to determine whether they are contrary to law. *See United States v. Wilson*, 864 F.2d 1219, 1221 (5th Cir. 1989), *cert. denied*, 492 U.S. 918 (1989) (holding that, if no objections to a Magistrate Judge's Report are filed, the standard of review is "clearly erroneous, abuse of discretion and contrary to law").

Having reviewed the Magistrate Judge's Report and the record in this case, the Court finds no clear error or abuse of discretion and no conclusions contrary to law. Accordingly, the Court hereby **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge (Docket No. 9) as the findings of this Court. It is therefore **ORDERED** that this case is **DISMISSED** with prejudice as barred by res judicata.

So **ORDERED** and **SIGNED** this **20th** day of **September, 2023**.

  
JEREMY D. KERNODLE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE